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Nov 21, 2023

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SEAN F. McAVOY, CLERK

EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

CARISSA B.,1

Plaintiff,

VS.

KILOLO KIJAKAZI, ACTING COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

No. 1:23-cy-03103-RHW

ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED MOTION FOR REMAND PURSUANT TO SENTENCE FOUR OF 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) AND CLOSING FILE

ECF Nos. 9, 11

Defendant.

Before the Court is the parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 11, requesting remand of the above-captioned matter to the Commissioner for additional administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). Attorney D. James Tree represents Plaintiff. Attorneys David Burdett and Matthew Pile represent Defendant.

After consideration, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 11, is GRANTED.
- 2. The above-captioned case be **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the

¹ To protect the privacy of plaintiffs in social security cases, the undersigned identifies them by only their first names and the initial of their last names. See LCivR 5.2(c).

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Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

The parties have stipulated to the following instructions. On remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the ALJ to:

- Re-evaluate the medical opinion evidence;
- Re-evaluate the lay opinion evidence;
- Re-evaluate Plaintiff's maximum residual functional capacity;
- Obtain supplemental vocational expert testimony to clarify the effect
 of the assessed limitations on Plaintiff's ability to perform other work
 in the national economy;
- Offer Plaintiff the opportunity for a new hearing;
- Take any further action needed to complete the administrative record; and
- Issue a new decision.
- See ECF No. 11 at 1-2.
 - 3. Judgment shall be entered for **PLAINTIFF**.
- 4. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 9) is STRICKEN AS MOOT.
- 5. Upon proper presentation, this Court consider Plaintiff's application for fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d).

The District Court Executive is directed to enter this Order, enter Judgment in favor of Plaintiff, forward copies to counsel, and CLOSE THE FILE.

DATED November 21, 2023.

s/Robert H. Whaley
ROBERT H. WHALEY
Senior United States District Judge